



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service



News Release

Cooperating with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
4050 Crums Mill Road, Suite 203 · Harrisburg, PA 17112

Results of a recent survey are contained in this release. You can also find it on our site at www.nass.usda.gov/pa/ and click on the Pennsylvania Publications link.

Contact: Kevin Pautler, 717-787-3904
nass-pa@nass.usda.gov

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Pennsylvania Crop Production

HARRISBURG, PA, May 11, 2011 -- Based on May 1 conditions, Pennsylvania's 2011 production of winter wheat is expected to be 7 percent above 2010. Final total tobacco production figures for 2010 were up 7 percent from 2009. May 1 hay stocks are estimated to be down 50 percent from a year ago, according to the Pennsylvania office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Winter wheat harvested acreage is forecast at 160,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from last year. Based on the condition of the crop as of May 1, yield is forecast at 59 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year's final yield. This results in a production of 9,440,000 bushels, compared to the 2010 final production of 8,850,000 bushels.

Total 2010 tobacco production for Pennsylvania was 19,965,000 pounds. Southern Maryland type acres harvested were 2,200 with an average yield per acre of 2,250 pounds and a production of 4,950,000 pounds. The total value of this Southern Maryland type tobacco crop was set at \$7.673 million. Pennsylvania Class 4 cigar filler type acres harvested were 2,100 with an average yield of 2,350 pounds per acre and production of 4,935,000 pounds. The total value of this Class 4 tobacco crop was set at \$8.64 million. Light air-cured Burley tobacco acres harvested were 4,200 with an average yield per acre of 2,400 pounds and a resulting production of 10,080,000 pounds valued at \$17.1 million.

Hay stocks on Pennsylvania farms as of May 1 totaled 340,000 tons, compared to 680,000 tons a year ago, and 700,000 tons May 1, 2009.

U.S. winter wheat production for 2011 is forecast at 1.42 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2010. Expected area to be harvested for grain is 32.0 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. Based on the condition of the crop May 1, the U.S. yield is forecast at 44.5 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels per acre from last year.

Revised U.S. tobacco production for 2010 totaled 719 million pounds, down slightly from the January preliminary estimate, and 13 percent below 2009. Harvested area is estimated at 337,500 acres, up slightly from the January preliminary estimate, but down 5 percent from the previous year's estimate.

All hay stored on U.S. farms May 1, 2011 totaled 22.2 million tons, up 6 percent from a year ago. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 2010 to May 1, 2011 totaled 79.9 million tons, compared with 86.3 million tons for the same period a year ago.

- # -

Find agricultural statistics for your county, State, and the Nation at www.nass.usda.gov.